



# Mayor's Youth Leadership Council Member Application

## Instructions and Qualifications

To be considered for the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council, please complete this application packet in full, including:

- Providing all personal information requested below and responding to all short answer questions.
- Reading and signing the attached *Requirements to Serve* form.
- Getting the appropriate signatures from a parent/guardian and your school principal.
- Providing the names of two references who are not peers or family members.

To be considered, you must:

- Currently have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA and maintain that during your term of service.
- Be a junior or senior in the 2018-19 school year.
- Live and attend school within Marion County.
- Attend the orientation retreat and at least 80% of the meetings (some are mandatory).

Submission Instructions:

- All questions should be directed to John Shertzer at [jshertzer@leadershipindianapolis.com](mailto:jshertzer@leadershipindianapolis.com) or 317-396-7464.
- Completed applications should be mailed to:  
Mayor's Youth Leadership Council  
ATTN: John Shertzer  
Leadership Indianapolis  
615 North Alabama St., Suite 119  
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- Completed applications can also be sent electronically to [jshertzer@leadershipindianapolis.com](mailto:jshertzer@leadershipindianapolis.com).
- The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 2018.



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## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level in 2018-19: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Township: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Prefer not to answer

Race/Ethnicity:

Are you Hispanic or Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please select one or more races that you identify with from the following:

- ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act? ☐ Yes ☐ No



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## Short Answer Questions

Please provide answers to the following questions, limiting your responses to 300 words or less for each question. It is strongly recommended that you attach typewritten responses.

1. Describe why you want to be on the Indianapolis Mayor's Youth Leadership Council.
2. As you consider your background and experiences, what unique perspectives do you believe you can bring to the Council?
3. What does community leadership mean to you?
4. Describe one community issue that you care passionately about and what you think could help address this issue.
5. List all clubs, team sports, after-school programs, jobs, or other activities that you will participate in during the 2018-19 school year.



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## City of Indianapolis Mayor's Youth Leadership Council Requirements to Serve

Participation in the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council is a privilege that carries with it varying degrees of responsibility, recognition and reward. Participating members have a duty to conduct themselves in a manner that is positive for themselves, their families, their school, and their community. The following requirements to serve shall apply at all times throughout the member's term of service. Violations will result in consequences that may include removal from the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council. If any of these guidelines conflict with policies of the participant's school, the stricter standard will apply.

### Requirements to Serve:

1. MYLC members must live and attend school in Marion County.
2. MYLC members must carry a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA in school to be able to participate.
3. MYLC members must have the permission of their parent(s)/guardian(s) and their school principal to serve.
4. MYLC members can be either juniors or seniors during their term of service.
5. MYLC members are required to attend the orientation, 80% of the monthly meetings and as many of the other educational activities as possible. Absences must be excused by the Executive Director and the Council Chair.

**2018-19 Dates** (times listed may be subject to slight changes)

Orientation: June 22 (10:00am-7:00pm) and June 23 (9:00am-12:00pm) - **MANDATORY**

Session 1 July 28 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 2: August 25 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 3: September 29 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 4: October 27 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 5: December 1 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 6: January 26 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 7: February 23 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 8: March 30 (9:00-11:30am)

Session 9: April 27 (9:00-11:30am)

Closing Session: May 18 (9:00-1:00pm)

6. MYLC members must adhere to the following code of conduct:
  - A. MYLC members are expected to abide by all local laws and regulations, as well as policies of any facility that hosts council activities.
  - B. MYLC members must respect the property of others as well as the property of any facility that hosts council activities. Any damage caused by a member must be paid by that member.
  - C. During MYLC activities, members will refrain from the use, consumption, or possession of controlled substances, alcohol, or tobacco products.
  - D. MYLC members are considered public officials and should carry themselves in a professional and ethical manner, including outside of council meetings and activities.
  - E. MYLC members are expected to represent themselves and the Mayor's Youth Council in a professional and appropriate manner on social media. Members must not post any content that disparages other council members, proceedings of council meetings and activities, and/or the council itself.



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- F. MYLC members will be creative and open with expressing ideas in a safe environment. All members will be respectful of each other's ideas and suggestions.
- G. MYLC members are expected to abide by the designated dress code for each meeting or activity.
- "Professional" refers to dress shirt, slacks, necktie and appropriate shoes for males and dress or suit, skirt or slacks, blouse and appropriate shoes for the females.
  - "Business Casual" refers to slacks, collared shirts and appropriate shoes for males and slacks or skirt, blouse or collared shirt and appropriate shoes for females.
  - "Casual" refers to shorts or jeans, collared shirt, sweatshirt, and appropriate tee shirts and casual footwear for males and shorts, skirt, or jeans, collared shirts, sweatshirts or appropriate tee shirts and casual footwear for females.
- H. It is the responsibility of MYLC members to keep their parents/guardians and school administrators informed of time and meeting commitments.

### Participant Consent

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will abide by the requirements and the  
Print Name  
 expectations for conduct placed upon me as a member of the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### School Principal Consent

(Parent/Guardian can complete this section for homeschool students.)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge the above requirements placed upon  
Print Name  
 my student in order to serve as a member of the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council. I also affirm that  
 this student is currently enrolled and has at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Consent

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge the above requirements placed upon  
Print Name  
 my child in order to serve as a member of the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council. I grant permission for my  
 child to participate on the MYLC, and will help ensure they are present for all meetings and activities.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## References

Please submit the contact information for two individuals who can recommend you for service on the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council. Consider individuals who are familiar with your background and/or have served as an advisor of a school or community organization or club that you have been a part of while in high school.

PLEASE NOTE: peers and family members cannot serve as references. The individuals you name will be contacted and asked to complete an online form.

### First Reference:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

### Second Reference:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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